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Democratic Nominations.

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The latest dispatches from London declare that the prospects for peace are very

A MAJORITY of the members of the National Democratic committee are in favor of New York city as the next place of meeting.

GEN. GRANT has written a letter to a friend in Cincinnati in which he says that his stay abroad will in all probability be prolonged another year.

The admirers of Voltaire in France propose to celebrate his centennial anniversary at Paris during the exposition. The movement meets with violent opposition from Catholic dignituries.

GAMALIEL BRADFORD, of Boston, predicts an approaching irrepressible conflict between the legislative and executive powers of the government. Gamaliel assumed the role of a prophet at the Social Science Convention at Cincinnati.

THE seat in the United States, now occupied by M. C. Butler of South Carolina, is a contested one, the other claimant being Dr. Corbin. The case comes up for consideration to-day before the senate committee on privileges and elections.

THE Paducah Kentuckian says that a A GOOD STORY OF A KIND-HEARTvery condsiderable exodus of colored people from Kentucky to Kansas is taking place this spring. A party of sixty left the town of Paris for Kansas last Monday, and these had been preceded by two other parties of about the same number.

Lamar made a strong speech in the senate on Wednesday in favor of the Texas Pacific railroad bill. He gave a history of the movement for Pacific railway connection dating long before the war, and presented a forcible array of facts showing the benefit the line would be to the whole country.

QUEEN VICTORIA is sixty years of age today and it is also the forty-first anniversary of her accession to the throne of Great Britain. The occasion will be celebrated as usual in England and all the provinces of the British empire. The Queen enjoys a hale and hearty old age, and the Prince of Wales will probably be on the shady side of middle life before he succeeds to the crown of the Guiephs.

At the meeting of the National Democratic committee in Washington on Wednesday, twenty-nine states were represented. The committee met about one o'clock and Senator Sherman's letter on the Potter resolution, in which he makes formal application for leave to be represented before them by consul in the investigation of all charges affecting himself personally, was laid before them. It is understood that an early opportunity to be heard will be given him.

THE St. Louis Times says the letter of Mr. John Shereman, Secretary, etc., to Mr. Potter, chairman of the Investigation committee, is not an evidence of profound wisdom or ripeness of judgment. To characterize the letter briefly, it is a bit of mild bluster. If Weber and Anderson procured the subornation by which the East Feliciana returns were "cooked," the same witnesses will not be competent in the case when it comes before the Investigating Committee. A man is not competent to testify in his own behalf when being tried on a charge of

negative. His letter to Mr. Potter will not add to his reputation as a lawyer or fortify him is a defense before the committee.

GENERAL NEWS.

-The removal of the battle flags from the State arsenal to the State house took place at Springfield yesterday.

-The American Sunday School Union celebrated its forty-fifth anniversary in Philadelphia on Monday night. -Rev. Samuel S. Isaacs, the oldest Jew

ish minister in the United States and editor of the Jewish Messenger, is dead. -The soft-headed young man who is following a wheel-barrow from New York

to San Francisco, arrived in Chicago on Wednesday night. -Secretary Schurz' assistant private secretary is a young Nebraska girl, who reads

and answers all his German, French and Spanish correspondence. -Four hundred thousand bales of cotton have been received in Memphis during the present cotton season. These are the high-

est figures ever reached in that market. -John W. Drew, the pioneer of the Murphy movement in Iowa, has secured one hundred and fifty thousand signers to the pledge in that state. This array of names does not include those who have signed at

the solicitation of other temperance work-

-The women of Pennsylvania design buying the farm house of Valley Forge. where Washington had his headquarters during the gloomy winter of the revolution, and making a second Mount Vernon of it, filling its rooms with relies of the days of the war for independence.

-A special dispatch to the St. Louis Republican of yesterday says that on Wednesday morning between nine and twelve o'clock the residence of Hirman Duncan, four miles east of Mt. Vernon, Ill., was entered by burgiars during the absence of the family, and \$800 in gold and \$300 in silver and currency taken. The thieves were

-Within the last eight months the number of horses reported stolen at police headquarters, in Kansas City, was 368. The thefts reported were divided between the four border states in the Misississippi valley as follows: Horses reported stolen in Kansas, 157; horses reported stolen in Missouri, 140; horses reported stolen in Iowa, 50; horses reported stolen in Nebraska, 21; Total

-A famine on the coast of Labrador has caused great suffering among the people there. The fisheries failed them last fall and the traders who gave them provisions in barter for their fish and oil abandoned the territory. Thus before winter set in the whole population were left to starve or sub. in the first act her fan was an antique paintsist until Summer on fish offal. Whole families have lived through the winter on rotten. half frozen carcasses of seals driven ashore by the ice-floes. Others have kept body and soul together by devouring the nauseous flesh of the black loup-marin. The women hunt the shore like specters, picking up the dead seal, while the men and boys gather sea moss or shell fish.

(From the Springfield Republican.) A young planist was giving concerts support, and to enhance her reputation she advertised herself as a pupil of Liszt. In a little town in the interior of Germany, abating, the interest increases. No two where she had announced a concert, she was halls can hold the crowds that gather at the confounded the day before the concert was meetings. Hundreds of men have been to take place by seeing in the list of arrivals and at the very hotel where the concert and their homes filled with thrift, peace was to be given, "M. L'Abbe Liszt." Here and happiness. It has touched all grades was a dilemma, and what to do she knew and ranks of society. Side by side stand not. Her fraud would be discovered; she up the millionaire who has squandered his would be exposed; she could never give another concert; she was ruined.

Tremblingly she sought the presence of the great maestro, determined to make a largely, lessened crime and disorder. clean breast of it, and cast herself on his Its mercy. Coming into his room with down- in east eyes, she knelt at the old man's feet courts. The club here has purchased and with many tears told her story-how church edifice, moved it to a lot on the she had been left an orphan and poor, with main business street of the city, and eleonly her one gift of music with which to support herself; the difficulties she had encountered, until the fraudulent use of his great name had filled her rooms and her purse. "Well, well," said the great man, gently raising her up, "let us see, my child, what can we do. Perhaps it is not so bad as you thought. There is a piano: let me hear one of the pieces you expect to play them stand up and say that five months was to-morrow evening.

making comments and suggestions as she played, and when she had finished he added: "Now, my child, I have given you a lesson; you are a pupil of Liszt." Before she could find words to express her gratitude Liszt asked: "Are your programmes printed?" "No. sir," was the answer, "not yet." "Then say that you will be assisted by your master, and that the last piece on the programme will be played by the Abbe

AN IMPRISONED OWL. The Lancaster, Penn., Examiner says: The owner of a large farm, not far from Lancaster, had an opportunity a few days ago of witnessing how an interloper is punished by the martin species of birds. A pair of martins had taken possession of a small box, and were building their nest. One day, while they were absent, a screechowl took possession of their box, and when the martins came home would not allow them to enter. The smaller birds were nonplussed for awhile, and in a short time flew away, seemingly giving up the fight. But if the owl was of this opinion he was sadly mistaken, for in a short time the little ones returned, bringing with them a whole army of their companions, who immediately set to work and procuring mud, plaster- was a mortification to the little fellow; and ed the entrance to the box. then all flew away. In a few days the box | him in?" he answered with a jump, "Little perjury. Yet that is what Mr. Sherman was examined and the owl found dead.

had not yet been issued—tickets, like most other things, being behind hand. But no common causes, over-work, mental anxiety difficulty was made on this score. The only difficulty was to find out the right wicket through which to enter. On some of these there were no signs or inscriptions lapse of the vital energies, from these as of any sort. The policemen respectfully appealed to supplied the missing link, and I underwent for the first time the formidable ordeal of regular energies. A small double toll-house, composed of a central passage with a sentry-box on either ide, confronts you. A squad of police surround it, but don't oppose your approach A policeman bars the narrow passage-way inside. A wicket-keeper to the right surveys the new-comer for a second; takes my ticket, inspects it on both sides, and is himself inspected during the process by his coleague opposite. . The ticket proving satisfactory, wicket-keeper No. 1 nods to me and to wicket-keeper No. 2, who, in turn, nod to the policeman, who in turn nods to me again, and steps civilly aside. I suppose that I am at liberty to pass, but I am wrong. I had forgotten wicket-keeper No. 3, to whom my attention is directed as I pass on, and to him also I have to submit my purple card. He is satisfied with the most cusory glance, nods, strikes a bell, and this time I am really through.

A BATCH OF FINE DRESSES.

The dresses worn by Mile. Albani, who has just made her appearance in Paris in "La Traviata," were made by Worth expressly for the occassion, and are real marvels of taste and magnificence. In the first act her toilet was composed of a train and corsage of pale pink satin, embroidered with gold and silver, and with the train lined with cream satin. This was turned back, en reverse, over a short, close-fitting underskirt of russet colored velvet, em broidered with set bouquets of flowers in gold and silver, and edged around the bem with a rich, gold fringe. The waist was cut square, with half sleeves, and was embroidered with gold and silver. A pale, pink feather was confined by a diamond ircle in her hair. Ornaments of pearls and diamonds. In the second act she wears a morning dress of cream yellow stamped velvet, cut princess, with a Louis XV waistcoat of pale blue satin, set with steel buttons, over an under-skirt of pale blue satin, coulisse in front, very ungracefully, just below the waist, and bordered at the hem with black velvet and with fringe of pale yellow and cut stee beads. Her third dress is white satin and silver. The underskirt is bordered in front with an elaborate shell-shaped trimming in satin, edged with silver. Over that is a very short apron overskirt, embroidered with silver, coming but a little below the knee, and bordered with a wide white silver fringe. This is crossed traversely with a wreath of the glossy green leaves of the amellia, with a single white blossom here and there. Two similar garlands cross be aind, holding back the long train of white satin, embroidered with silver. The waist is cut half high, in the graceful modest style known of old as a la vierge, and is crossed by a garland corresponding to those on the skirt. The coiffure is high and repe, and is studded with large diamonds. Mile Albani carries in this act an exquisite fan of white feathers and mother of-pearl: ed one of great beauty.

THE BLUE RIBBON IN IOWA. Des Moines Correspondence of the Chicago Evon-

in this state is simply marvelous. Commenced by John W. Drew, who came here unknown, it has extended nearly all over he state. Nothing like it was ever known. Mr. Drew has alone secured over 150,000 pledges. It has been carried on by men and women whose hearts were in the work. CHAS, SHELLEY, NO. 30 EIGHTH ST. and who had homes, friends, fortune and through the provinces of Germany for her happiness at stake. It has fairly revolutionized this city in temperance and sobriety. Instead of

lifted from the gutter to places of sobriety. wealth and the poor laborer who spent his paltry pittance, and tell the same story, While it is thus reforming men, it has benefit is shown every day the records of the criminal gantly fitted it up for use as a tabernacle in which to hold meetings. It is a spacious structure, and will stand as a glorious monument to the noble purposes for which it is dedicated and to the honor of the city. It was dedicated yesterday with appropriate ceremonies. The original members were all there, and it was interesting to hear a long time for them "between drinks," Tremblingly she obeyed, the maessto but, with the help of Almighty God, they proposed to "stick" (pointing to the motto of the club on the walls) for five years-yea, to the end of life.

> EXPRESSIVE OF A NATURAL SENTI-MENT.

From the Hartford Times !

Col. Bob Ingersoll's doctrine of No Hereafter leads Aivan P. Hyde to relate this true story: In Stafford, some years ago, the Rev. Mr. Church, a Congregational minister, turned Deist, and finally disbe-lieved in any future. He preached a sermon to prove that there was no hereafter. Nobody approved of it and be felt uneasy. Meeting an old steaker named Horace Colburn, Church said, "Horace, how did you like that sermon?" "I don't know," said Colburn, thrusting out his tongue (as was his manner when fuddled)-I don't know. I'd rather go to k-II than go nowhere."

THERE was a little fellow who knew Mother Goose better than he knew his Bible. On Sunday he was asked in his class, "Who were thrown into the fiery furnace?" That was too much for him. The question was passed; the answer came promptly. Shradach, Meshach and Abednego." This when the next question came, "Who put Johnny Green!"- Sunday School Times.

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